

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims shall replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the instant Application.

In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A detergent composition comprising a gel having a water content of from greater than 5 about 20 to 65% by weight and a non-aqueous component comprising a salt content of at least 70%, the gel having a first colour and primary particles having a second colour and a detergent active which is at least partially encapsulated within the primary particles, wherein radiation emitted by the gel interacts with radiation emitted by the primary particles such that at least a portion of the composition has a third colour.
2. (currently amended) A semi-opaque detergent composition comprising a gel having a water content of from greater than 5 about 20 to 65% by weight and a non-aqueous component comprising a salt content of at least 70%, the gel having a first colour and primary particles having a second colour and a detergent active which is at least partially encapsulated within the primary particles, wherein radiation emitted by the gel interacts with radiation emitted by the primary particles such that at least a portion of the composition has a third colour.
3. (currently amended) A detergent composition comprising a gel having a water content of from greater than 5 about 20 to 65% by weight and a non-aqueous component comprising a salt content of at least 70%, the gel containing primary particles having a first colour and secondary particles having a second colour and a detergent active which is at least partially encapsulated within the primary particles, wherein radiation emitted by the primary particles interacts with radiation emitted by the secondary particles such that at least a portion of the composition has a third colour.
4. (currently amended) A detergent composition comprising a gel having a water content of from greater than 5 about 20 to 65% by weight and a non-aqueous component comprising a salt content of at least 70%, the gel having a first colour containing primary particles having a

second colour and secondary particles having a third colour and a detergent active which is at least partially encapsulated within the primary particles, wherein radiation emitted by the primary particles interacts with the secondary particles and the radiation emitted by the gel such that at least a portion of the composition has a fourth colour.

5. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the secondary particles are in the form of emulsion particles, suspended particles or gas bubbles.
6. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the secondary particles are at least partially reflective.
7. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the secondary particles have a particle size of less than 50µm.
8. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition has a transmittance of from 30 to 90.
9. (canceled)
10. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the primary particles are water soluble and comprise a water-soluble encapsulating agent.
11. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 10, wherein the water soluble particles comprise at least 0.3 wt % of the detergent composition.
12. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the particles have a migration speed of less than 1.0 cm per month.
13. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the gel has a viscosity greater than 4,000 mPas.

14. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the gel contains a thickening agent, preferably polyacrylic acid.
15. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the gel has a density of greater than 1.1 g/cm³.
16. (canceled)
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18. (cancelled)
19. (currently amended) A composition according to claim 1 +8, wherein the salt is a phosphate, citrate or sulphate salt.
20. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 11, wherein the detergent active comprises one or more of an enzyme, a bleach activator/ catalyst or a fragrance.
21. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 20, wherein the particles contain a stabilising aid for the enzyme.
22. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 10, wherein the encapsulating agent comprises a coating for the particles.
23. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 22, wherein the encapsulating agent comprises 2 to 15% by weight of the particle.
24. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 10, wherein the encapsulating agent comprises a portion of the core of the particle.

25. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 24, wherein the encapsulating agent comprises at least 10% by weight of the particles.
26. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 10, wherein the encapsulating agent contains a plasticiser.
27. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 26, wherein the plasticiser is a polyglycol or a nonionic surfactant.
28. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 26, wherein the encapsulating agent is a cellulose derivative, a polyvinyl alcohol or an admixture thereof.
29. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the gel and the primary particles have a difference in density of no greater than 0.9 g / cm³.
30. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 29, wherein the primary particles contain a density aid.
31. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1, wherein more than 80% by weight of the primary particles have a particle size from 50 to 1,000 micrometres.
32. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 for use in dishwashing or laundry applications.
33. (previously presented) A composition in accordance with claim 1, wherein the composition is disposed in a pouch of polyvinylalcohol.
34. (previously presented) A method of dishwashing or laundry comprising the step of providing a detergent composition in accordance with claim 1.

35. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the gel has a water content of between about 20 to 50% by weight.

36. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 35 wherein the gel has a water content of between about 35 to 50% by weight.

37. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 2 wherein the gel has a water content of between about 20 to 50% by weight.

38. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 37 wherein the gel has a water content of between 35 to 50% by weight.

39. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 3 wherein the gel has a water content of between 20 to 50% by weight.

40. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 39 wherein the gel has a water content of between 35 to 50% by weight.

41. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 4 wherein the gel has a water content of between 20 to 50% by weight.

42. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 41 wherein the gel has a water content of between 35 to 50% by weight.